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OME BORN TO LEAD.

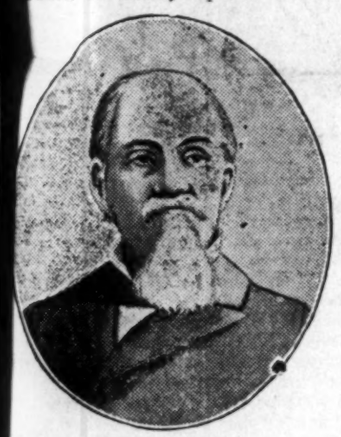
nator Pettus Believes There Is No Accident in Success.

w a Private Took Charge of a Wagon Train on the Plains and Commanded the Obedience of His Superiors.

Edmund Winston Pettus, aged 82, the junior senator from Alabama, s life has been full of stirring exriences, from the time he was a lieuant in the Mexican war until the sent. He was a brigadier general the confederacy and saw many a ttle. In 1849 he rode on horseback th a company of fortune seekers ross the plains to California. Being Californian himself, the Washington rrespondent of the Chicago Post was terested in the brief line in the Conssional directory telling of this rney, and asked Senator Pettus to ll him some of his experiences.

"Oh, that was a long while ago," he plied, gazing reflectively from a capl window toward the monument and e west. "I don't remember much out the places I visited in California. e journey was crowded full of inciits that I suppose were thrilling, t life in those days was thrilling to erybody, as a matter of course. I reall one experience on the plains that owed how naturally men turned to e born leader, whether he is in shoulr straps or a private in the rear nks. We were about 300 miles west Fort Smith. I was riding ahead, ith the compass. Two men were with e, both privates. Our party, you now, was a regular military organiation.

"Away off in the distance, at the top a slight eminence, we saw what ooked like two or three thousand Inians, coming toward us at breakneck peed. That was my first sight of Inians, and I didn't like the sight at ll. One of my companions, a cleareaded, brave fellow, at once took in e situation. He realized that if the dians reached the wagon train, rung along as it was, we would all killed. He hastily explained the sit-



SENATOR E. W. PETTUS.
(Alabama Statesman Who Is Bright and Lively at Eighty-Two.)

ation, directed us to watch the Inians and slowly retreat to the train, hile he galloped back and gave the larm.

"When he reached the wagon train he ve directions here and there, and in- of a few minutes had the wagons cked, the animals inside, and the mpany stationed at the right points, arms ready for a skirmish with e Indians. We retreated slowly, the dians gradually approaching. There re only five or six of them, apparently. All the other horses appeared o be riderless. My companion told e not to be misled by this, as the plains Indians were expert horsemen nd often rode on the side of their ounts, with their bodies completely screened. I confess I was badly scared as we turned back and hustled oward the wagon train.

"It turned out that the five or six Indians I had seen comprised the whole band. They were friendly Seminoles, and had raided a village of hostiles somewhere to the westward and stampeded their horses, and were riding like mad to get the band across the river and away from the pursuing hostiles. We had a hasty exchange of notes, and the Seminoles went on.

"I learned then that this private had in the excitement taken complete charge of the wagon train, over our captain and his lieutenants, and that every man in the company had yielded him implicit obedience. He was a natural leader, and when the hour of danger came his qualities asserted themselves. When the trouble was over the captain disciplined him for taking such authority, but the punishment was mild. That incident made a deep impression on my mind as showing that some men are born to lead and others to follow—there is little accident about it."

Fire Alarms in Russia.

In St. Petersburg the arrangement of fire alarms is rather peculiar and decidedly unique, and the fire alarm telegraph is an unknown thing. Instead, a fireman is at all times in the tower of the city hall, and he watches the surrounding city to catch the first glimpse of a fire. When a fire is discovered during the day he runs up black balls on the top of the tower as signals; at night, red lanterns are used. The number of the balls or lanterns the fire is located. As soon as the signal is seen by the man on duty at an engine house he rings a bell outside which calls together the members of the company, who may be scattered over a couple of blocks. This method is not conducive to quick time in reaching the scene, and from 20 minutes to half an hour is good work unless the fire happens to be near the engine house.

CHAINED BY FRIENDS.

Newly Wedded Couple Forced to Ride on Train in Handcuffs for Several Hours.

Edward Campbell, a prominent young business man of Marion, Ind., and Miss Sallie Hightower, a young society woman, who were married at the home of the bride the other day, had a strange experience in handcuffs. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Campbell left for Chicago on their honeymoon. At the railway station a large number of their friends seized them, handcuffed them together and placed them on the train. A large cowbell was fastened to the handcuffs and every time the couple moved the bell gave the alarm. Printed dodgers were passed through the train announcing that "Sallie and Ed Are Married."

The brdal couple, says the Chicago Chronicle, was compelled to ride as far as Frankfort, a distance of 70 miles, chained together like prisoners. At that point they left the train, went to police headquarters and had the handcuffs cut with a chisel.

Newspapers Are Useful.

The modern newspaper is said to be a cure for both cold and poverty. If you spread it over you at night, it is better than a warming pan, and almost as comfortable as an eiderdown quilt. If you roll it up into wet balls and put it on the fire, it answers instead of coal.

Swell Horseflesh Banquet.

Horseflesh in various forms—roasted, broiled, braized, etc.—was recently served at a grand dinner in Berlin. Since then the business of the horse butchers has quadrupled.

PORTRAIT BY SULTAN.

Ruler of Morocco Is a Failure as an Artist Just as He Is a Failure as Monarch.

Funny, isn't it, and very like the scrawl of a five-year-old? Any American school boy of ten would be ashamed to own such work; but the artist is no less a notable than his royal highness the sultan of Morocco. In November rocco to act as the sultan's instructor in drawing, and found his new pupil an impatient, willful, grown-up child, who regarded the American artist as something of a magician, able to impart the power to paint without any long course of drudgery if only he would. The drawing here shown, reproduced from the Century, was a sketch portrait of the artist-teacher made during one of the lessons; and, it is to be inferred, does not flatter an American citizen. Mr. Schneider remained in Morocco until March of 1902, and his royal pupil, all adverse conditions considered, really made surprising progress.

Needed.

Church—I hear a neighbor of mine has just invented a new machine.

Gotham—What sort of a machine?

"Oh, it's one where you put a nickel in the slot and get a piece of coal. —Yonkers Statesman.

Long-Lived Italian Monks.

In Italy priests and monks live longer than any other class of men. Fifty-seven per cent. exceed the "term of the Psalmist."—Indianapolis News.

No Appeal.

Meeker—My wife and I always settle our differences by arbitration.

Bradley—Who is the arbitrator?

"My wife, of course."—Smart Set.

Her Possessions.

Ella—Do you think he is going to marry me for my money?

Stella—What else have you got?—N.

REV. B. J. BOLDING WINS.

The Attempt to Depose—Swept away Like a Cyclone—Nine Tenths of his Congregation Vote for his Return.

There was a spirtual meeting in the auditorium of the John Wesley Church on last Monday evening. For some time there has been an undercurrent work against the pastor, Rev. B. J. Bolding which was fully developed on last Monday night very soon after Rev. Bolding left for his home. In the early part of the evening there was a kind of love feast so to speak. The pastor had just gotten through with his services and bid his congregation a good night. He hadn't much more than got ten home when a messenger was dispatched for him to return to the church To his surpsise after his arrival several members were standing, demanding to be heard on a point of order. When it was known that the pastor had arrived the leaders of the opposition under Mr. Wm. Johnson began to give their reasons in an apologetic manner why they opposed the pastor and why he should not be returned. Messrs Randal Browie and Gilbert Joy, the friends of the pastor, made eloquent appeals to the congregation to stand by the pastor as he had done more for John Wesley, without a stain than any pastor who has been to John Wesley, However, a vote was taken whether the Church should ask for the retirement of the pastor. There never was so many members out before. All of this was a surprise to the pastor. The vote resulted in an overwhelming victory for Rev. Bolding. The lady who had been elected by those who represented the opposition, a delegate to general conference over Mr. Gilbert A. Joy, to represent the church, was forced to withdraw. She had previously defeated Mr. Joy by over sixty votes. Rev. Bolding who gave his reasons why it was necessary to have a man to represent the Church was a pointer for his friends to have the vote, by which she had been elected reconsidered which was done promptly. Mr. Joy received, the unamious vote of the Church admist applause, Rev. Bolding arose and said that he was undecided whether he would remain at John Wesley or not, that he had a call else where and he would pray after which he would give his church notice in time as to his decision, These remarks came like a thunderbolt on those who had stood so loyally by their pastor. Cries were heard all over the Church, "yes you must remain and if those who voted against you don't like you, we will turn them out of Church."

Soon after his election hundreds of his members called to his house and brought him many handsome presents in recognition of his services. Rev. Bolding was requested to have a handsome black suit made with two vests to wear to conference.

HON. H. B. F. MACFARLAND,
Has Decided to Serve the People Three More Years—An Honorable Commissioner Who has the Confidence of the People.

Kerosene Vice in France.

A constantly increasing evil in France is the drinking of kerosene. The vice has long prevailed among the Indians of the South Pacific, and to such an extent that the importation of kerosene for drinking is an important trade in Peru and Bolivia.

Anything to Oblige.

Mr. Greatman—I wish you'd stop printing my portrait every time any little thing happens to me, or else get a new one. You've had that old plate in 17 times.

Editor—All right, my dear sir. Anything to oblige.

Assistant Foreman (a week later)—I can't find that picture of Sam, the sneak thief, anywhere.

Foreman—Well, dump in that old picture of Mr. Greatman. It ain't going to be used for him any more.—N. Y. Weekly

SECRET ORDERS.

The Craft under the jurisdiction of Ill. W. H. Judd Malvin 33° M. W. G. M. of F. A. A. M, for the District dispensated Brighwood Lodge, May 2nd 1903. This Lodge starts off with 47 members, many prominent brethren were present after work the Craft called off to refreshments.

April 30th 1903, K. of P. No. 7, had a silver offering at Samaratan Temple, southwest. There was a large attendence. There was also a Fair going on which has been doing well.

The 46th anriversary of the G. U. O. of Galilean Fishermen was held at their Temple, 320 F street southwest, last week. The proceedings of the affair was for the benefit of each Taber nacle under the obedience of the Union District G. T, No. 2. There was a large attendence.

The Grand Lodge of Texas Masons has in its jurisdiction 144 Lodges, all doing well. Bro. J. W. McKenney G. M. and Bro. W.M. McDonald, G. S. of Terrell.

At last we ran across our contemporary, Ill. J. O. Bamfield 33° G. S. G. H. E. Ill. Bamfield is looking well and doing well.

Ill. T. A. Jackson 33°, 96° P. S. G. C. is as busy as ever working up the affairs of the Rite.

Es. Salamu Aleikum Mohammed, the father of the Turkish Empire was born in the Sacred City of Mecca, in Arabia November 10th 1570. He was a merchant Prince trading between Syria and Palistine, while at these journeys he frequently retired to a cave in the mountain of Judea to meditate and that developed a new religion of his own. One day upon his return to Mecca he surprised the people by telling them that he had read a Divine Commission to reform the religious practices. The Arabians at this time being Idolators. The new religion was to be called Islam. The doctrines were written down by Mohammed and are preserved under the name of the Kora. The people of Mecca called the prophet a crank and ordered him out of the city, he was obliged to flee to Medina in the year 622. The people of Medina received him with open arms and that he built his first Mosque. His motto was the Koran Tribute or the Sword. (Aleiknmes Salamu.)

After a somewhat careful investigation regarding the legality of the Colored Masons, I am satisfied that the so-called irregularities attending the organization of the first colored Grand Lodge in this country were fewer in members and of less importance than pertaining to some other American Grand Lodges, now venerably with age to whom we look with feelings of reverence. who have been mighty powers in giving tone to American Masonry, who stand to day deservedly in the lead and from we trace our Masonic decent, the facts are Brethren are that with reference to these matters we are living in glass houses and it is not in my opinion at all wise.

THE CIVIL LIBERTY PARTY.

President Mitchell Issued a Call Postponing the Convention.

Petersburg Va.—May 8, 1903. To the delegates elected to the Civil Liberty Convention. By virtue of the authority vested in me by the Executive Committee of the National Civil Liberty Party, the delegates who have been elected to the Conventinn which was to convene in the city of Cincinnati, O., May 24th, are hereby notified that the Convention has been postponed to meet in the City of Cincinnati, O,, Thursday September 10th 1903 at 10 o'clock a. m.

S. P. Mitchell, Box 81 Wash. D.C

THEY THANK HIM.

At a meeting of the National Colored Personal Liberty League, at their headquarters, 1524 L street northwest Tuesday evening, May 5, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Whereas, the Empire Theater under its present management have extended every courtesy to the colored citizens of Washington, who visited their theater, and have made every effort to see that they receive the best attention om their employees, and be it

Further resolved, that we, the members of the National Colored Persona Liberty League, extend to the manager of the above named theater our most sincere thanks of the cordial treatment that our race received during the past month, and be it

Further resolved, that we heartily recommend the Empire Theater to all pleasure seekers, who wish to patronize a house where there is no discrimination on account of color, and be it.

Further resolved, that an honorary membership card be presented to the manager of the Empire Theater, with a copy of the above named resolutions.

By order of the League
H. B. Hawkins, Pres.
L. A. Wills Sec.
Chas. C. Curtis, Nat. Org.

HISTORIC LANDMARK.

Old Capitol of Northwest Territory Still Standing in the City of Vincennes, Ind.

Within a short time the most historic building in Vincennes, Ind., will be torn down to make room for a modern home, unless some action is taken toward buying it as a relic, or as an ornament for a city park. The building is one which for about seven years served as the capitol building for the northwest territory. It stands near the heart of the city, but did not originally stand there. The building was erected, so far as can be learned, in 1805, and consisted of two rooms upstairs and two down.

No nails were used in its construction, it being put together by wooden pegs. Since that time improvements have been made on it which have changed its appearance, but it is still the old capitol building in the eyes of Vincennes people, and efforts are making to interest the city or state to buy it and transform it into a museum, placing it in one of the parks.

The building is now used as a residence and unless it gets some attention it will soon begin to decay. It is owned by Thomas Kilfoil. It could be bought, it is believed, for about $300. For many years it stood in the principal street in the city and has been used as a business house, as well as a home for numerous families. Much history was made in the old building while it was the meeting place of the legislature of Indiana Territory, which was formed from a part of the Northwest territory.

Gov. William Henry Harrison read his first message in the old building, and in the message he worked for the passage of a measure that would prevent the sale of intoxicants to the Indians. The measure, it is said, was never passed.

At the session of the legislature in this building in 1807, laws were made attaching the death penalty for crimes of treason, murder, arson and horse stealing. Burglary and robbery were made punishable by whipping, fine and imprisonment. Larceny was made punishable by fine or whipping; stealing by fine and whipping; bigamy by fine, whipping and disfranchisement. Stringent laws were also made for the punishment of children and servants who refused to obey their parents or masters.

Between August 12 and 22, 1810, the Indian chief Tecumseh with 75 warriors appeared daily before Gov. Harrison in the old building, and it was in that building that Tecumseh lost his temper and gave the lie to the governor.

Hundreds of historic instances occurred in the old building, and almost every prominent man in the country at that time set his foot inside of it. The last session of the legislature ended in it on March 13, 1813, and it is said that the last law passed in it was that which required the capitol to be moved to Corydon, Ind.

California's Lima Beans.

The present average yield of lima beans in southern California is 22,000,000 pounds, which is about three-fourths of the total production of the world. One ranch in the bean country covers 1,500 acres. This is the largest bean field in the world, and it requires 40 tons of seed beans to plant it —Agricultural Journal.

As He Called It.

"So you don't mind my piano-playing, Mr. Skorcher," remarked Miss Nexdore.

"Not at all," replied Skorcher. "I like it best when you're coasting."

"When I'm coasting?"

"Yes, when you keep your feet off the pedals."—Catholic Standard.

The Latest in Barometers.

In Florida the skin of a black dismond rattlesnake is utilized as a barometer. When preserved like rawhide and hung up, the skin will emit beads of moisture at the first indications of a storm. These indications occasionally occur several hours before the arrival of the atmospheric disturbance.

Experiments Are Dangerous.

Chemistry students in the Heidelberg university are compelled, by the rules of that institution, to insure their lives. Even those who merely attend the lectures, and do not experiment, must insure.

Pilgrims to Holy Land.

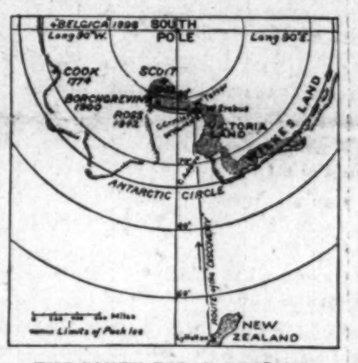
Most of the pilgrims to the Holy Land come from Russia. From 30,000 to 40,000 Russians visit Palestine every year.

NEAR TO SOUTH POLE

Borchgrevink's Record Broken by "Discovery" Expedition.

Commander Scott Succeeded in Getting Three and One-Half Degrees Further South Than Norwegian Explorer.

The Morning, the relief vessel to the British antarctic ship Discovery, has returned to Lyttelton, New Zealand, and reports that she found the Discovery on January 23 in McMurdo bay, Victoria Land. From the record of the expedition brought back it appears that the Discovery, which left Lyttelton about Christmas, 1901, made Cape Adare on January 9, and coasted along the great ice barrier which runs eastward from Cape Crozier as far as longitude 152.30, where an extensive glacial land with lofty peaks was discovered. Returning westward, good winter quarters were found near Mounts Erebus and Terror, and the ship was frozen in on March 24. When winter had passed sleighing began on September 2, 1902, and a number of sledge journeys were undertaken in various directions, the most important being made by Commander Scott, Dr. Wilson and Lieut. Shackleton, who traveled south until they reached latitude 82.17 and longitude 163 west, and established a world's record for the furthest point south. The trip was made under very trying conditions, and the party had to drag the sledges back to the ship, the dogs having died on the the outward journey. Lieut Shackleton burst a blood vessel in one of his lungs, and almost died from exposure. He returned on board the Morning. Another party, which included Lieut. Royds and Mr. Skelton, visited Mount Terror, and traveled along the ice barrier, which is believed to be afloat, though fed from the land ice. Lieut. Armitage made a sledge journey to the westward, and attained an altitude of 9,000 feet. On the return journey he fell into a crevasse, and if he had not been roped to the others would have



THE SOUTH POLAR REGIONS.
(Map Showing Furthest Point South Reached by Capt. Scott.)

fallen 2,000 feet. Symptoms of scurvy appeared among the men on the sledge journeys, but disappeared on their return to the ship. Though looking aged by the hard life and having experienced some privation, owing to part of the supplies being bad, the officers and crew of the Discovery looked well and cheerful, and they have determined to spend another winter among the ice. The most important geographical discovery made by the expedition is that Victoria Land has been found to extend at least as far as latitude 83.20 south, and it is thought that the greater part of that region is a vast continent which stretches away to the pole in a series of lofty mountains. The lowest temperature recorded by the expedition was 62 degrees below zero.

Almost nothing was known of the south polar regions until 130 years ago, when Capt. Cook circumnavigated the earth in latitude 50 degrees, and proved the absence of the "great southern continent" which, until then, had been supposed to exist. The antarctic circle was crossed for the first time by Cook in 1773, when he succeeded in penetrating to latitude 71 degrees ten minutes, a record which was not broken until 1822, when Weddell attained to latitude 74.15. In 1842 Sir James Ross penetrated to latitude 78.10, and this remained the highest southern point ever reached until 1900, when Borchgrevink pushed his way to latitude 78.40, and constituted another record, which has now been broken by Commander Scott, who succeeded in getting three and a half degrees further south, or to a point only 250 miles more distant from the south pole than Nansen's furthest point was from the north pole.

Woman Has Money to Burn.

Mrs. Ann Law, of Spring street, Trenton, N. J., cooked a 30-cent steak the other morning with a roll of greenbacks worth $300. Mrs. Law was going to Philadelphia on a shopping tour and drew $300 from the bank. She laid the money, which was inclosed in an envelope, on a table in the sitting room. She decided to breakfast on steak before leaving home, and, gathering a handful of paper, kindled a fire in the kitchen stove. When the steak was cooked it dawned on Mrs. Law's mind that she had used the greenbacks for kindling. She gathered the ashes and took them to the mint in Philadelphia to find out if she could get her money back.

They Say

It is the suspicious person that suspects everybody.

Interlopers who have no standing at their own homes are burdens upon the city.

If one half of these would deal honestly with their patrons there would be no trouble.

The Washington people are responsible for their own burdens.

It is best not to tell all you know

Never be party to a crime neither should you allow yourself to be used for criminal purposes.

It is the honest man who will not allow himself to be used by others.

Be certain of what you say and do.

The northern negroes who continuously make faces at the southern negroes are failures.

Be what you are and nothing more.

A man who is too cowardly to make his own fight, but will take excerpts from other papers, is capable of doing any dishonorable act.

Othello's occupation is gone at any sale. He has about borrowed himself out of existence and lost his reputation of fraud and cheat.

President Roosevelt will appoint two new Judges of the Police Court.

It is best to be truthful to your friends. A dishonest man is bound to fail.

The man who thinks that he is the only citizen in a state is affected with a disease called conceit.

Lieut. Gov Tillman o South Carolina has fully demonstrated his cowardice.

Wait and see if South Carolina's boasted civilization is correct.

Can an innocent mant shot down in cold blood with on being nvicted.

Gonzales has become a victim of cowardice and brutality.

Senator Platt will be the next Senator from New York.

The next President of the United States will be Marcus A Hanna.

Senator Fairbanks has been returned to the Senate.

Next December will cause the politicians to come to the front gain

Let us have the election franchise.

Citizens who are disfranchised, and too cowardly to protest are not entitled to citizenship

Has the right man been detected in the Jordan murder.

The loyal north has now rebelled g inst the negro.

The Armstrong manual training school is fast improving.

The president of Tuskegee is about be a back number politically.

The depositors of the Capital Savings Bank have their receivers [illegible].

There may be something rotten Denmark.

This is not the first bank that has failed.

People must lose sometimes to be successful.

Never allow a prisoner to suffer because you do not like his lawyer.

Justice Bundy, O'Donnell or [illegible] ould make good.

It may be unise to [illegible] know.

District Attorney Beach w some good things.

He will show himself to be a man.

Nothing is more d stas ful than a deceptive person.

Editor Fortune seeking a home for the American negro.

THE BEE sug [illegible] done for himself.

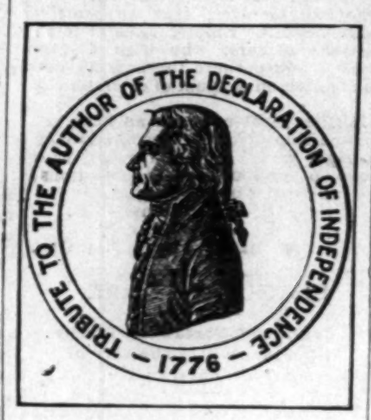
The agent will return some time with a great report.

Read THE BEE and be wise.

JEFFERSON MEDAL.

Unique Piece of Work Just Struck Off at the United States Mint at Philadelphia.

Within the ecurse of the next few days the Thomas Jefferson Memorial association will receive from the mint at Philadelphia the first impression of the bronze medal that is being struck off for the association under authority of an act of congress. During the last session of congress a bill was introduced providing that for the purpose of aiding in the erection of a suitable memorial in honor of Thomas Jefferson as the author of the declaration of independence, the secretary of the



THE JEFFERSON MEDAL.
(Struck Off Under Authority of an Act of Congress.)

treasury be authorized to have prepared at the Philadelphia mint four dies for medallions of such design and size as might be designed by the Thomas Jefferson Memorial association. The bill was passed and was signed by the president March 3. The design for the medallion was easily obtained, and the product is expected to be one of the handsomest things of the kind the mint has made, although Jeffersonian simplicity will mark every feature of the work. The medallion will be made of bronze and will be seven ounces in weight. It will be three inches in diameter and about a quarter of an inch thick. The face side will have a raised medallion portrait of Jefferson in profile, the drawing, etc., being exactly the same as that on the Jeffersonian presidential medal, a copy of which was furnished the association by the mint. Around the outer edge of the face of the medallion are the words: "Tribute to the author of the Declaration of Independence, 1776." On the obverse will be an appropriate sentiment from the writings of Jefferson, and about the edge the name and title of the association. One of these medallions is to be given to each person who subscribes a dollar or more to the memorial fund. The medallions will not be plated on sale.

HIGH POST FOR CLARK.

Head of Railway Conductors May Be Appointed Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

The selection of Edgar E. Clark, of Cedar Rapids, Ia., chief of the Brotherhood of Railway Conductors, to be assistant secretary of the depart-

EDGAR E. CLARK.
(Railroad Man Who Is Slated for High Government Office.)

ment of commerce and labor, has partially been decided upon and is a recognition of the labor organizations of the country and their interests in the new department. Mr. Clark's abilities, his judgment and familiarity with labor problems have been demonstrated during his service as a member of the coal strike commission and he has been highly commended to the president by his associates. He is cordially indorsed by the senators and representatives from Iowa and also by several of the most influential labor organizations. He has been at the head of the railway conductors' brotherhood for many years, and the president believes that he has the confidence of the labor element of the country as completely as any other man. The new department of which Mr. Cortelyou is chief will have jurisdiction over all questions involving the labor interests of the country, hence the president believes that a man of practical experience in such affairs and a representative of organized labor should be selected as assistant secretary.

Canada's Oldest Legislator.

The oldest legislator in the world is Senator Wark, a member of the Canadian parliament. He is in his one hundredth year and has been one of the legislators for the province of New Brunswick for upward of 60 years. He was an old man when the provinces were confederated into the Dominion.

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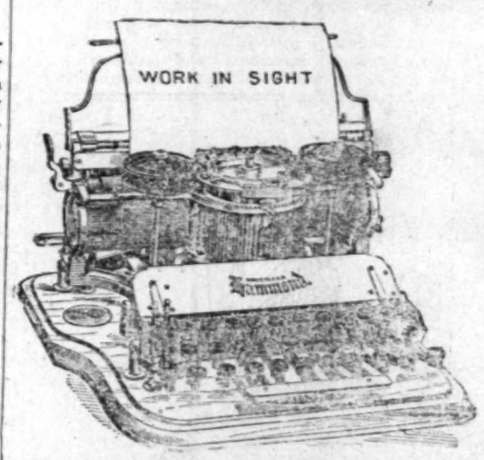

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Method in Her Madness.

"What on earth do you mean," her mother asked, "by urgin' your husband to get one of those outrageously high-priced Panama hats? Are you crazy to encourage such extravagance?"

"I shall want some more hats from time to time myself, mamma dear," the sweet young woman replied, "and he has always kicked so at the prices I pay."

"My darling! You always was such a hand for lookin' ahead. Let me kiss you."—Chicago Record-Herald.

A Strained Position.

The fellow who wants to hold office
In quite a dilemma is found—
He can't keep his nose to the grindstone
And also his ear to the ground.
—N. Y. Times.

ROOSTER IS HOODOOED.

Shunned by Chicken Thieves, White and Colored, and Feared by Dogs and Cats.

For almost a year a brown leghorn rooster has lived in the west bottoms in Kansas City, roosting each night on the sidewalk unmolested by chicken thieves. The bird is known to every one living in the vicinity of St. Louis avenue and Mulberry street as "the scrapping rooster." His strange immunity from harm, the superstitious negroes of the west bottoms say, is because the bird is "hoodooed." Almost a year ago "the scrapping rooster" was bought by a west bottoms

THE MONGREL RAN AWAY.

grocer from a farmer. The bird was so small then and otherwise disreputable looking that the grocer couldn't sell him. One day the rooster was turned out to save the expense of feeding him. Since that day he has become a part of the busy life in the west bottoms. The bird lives on the grain that falls from passing wagons.

The many dangers of city life wrought a change in the demure farm chicken. He learned to stand firm when attacked by passing curs and to fight if necessary. This gave him the name of "The Scrapping Rooster." Recently he fought a mongrel dog that barked at him and frightened the animal so that it ran away. The rooster is an odd, though familiar, sight as it moves about among the heavily loaded freight vans, street cars, and vehicles on Mulberry street. He has the distinction of being the only rooster in the west bottoms. Every night the bird goes to roost on the top of a box which stands on the sidewalk near St. Louis avenue and Mulberry street. When he wakes at the midnight hour to crow the officers at police station No. 2 can hear his call and know that the night is half done.

One of the officers who became curious to know why the chicken thieves did not molest the rooster said to a negro whose weakness in that line was well known:

"Why is it that no one steals that rooster?"

The negro answered gravely:

"Steal dat scrappin' rooster! Man, dat rooster am done hoodooed!"

HORSE GOES INSANE.

Pride of Denver Police Department Now Is a Raving and Dangerous Equine Maniac.

"Black Pete," one of the finest pieces of horse flesh ever owned by the Denver police department, is

BLACK PETE IN A FRENZY.

"locoed" or, in ordinary language, has become insane.

"Pete's" brain has become affected just as the brain of a human being is impaired. He raves at times, if snorting and wild neighing can be compared to the hysteria of insanity, and frequently becomes violent and almost uncontrollable. Up to a short time ago "Pete" was one of the splendid black team that drew the patrol from the central station. One day in response to a box call, however, he raced down the street and could not be stopped when the destination was reached.

When he was finally got back to his stall he became violent, and after wrecking the stable proceeded to smash up the interior of the patrol room. He knocked over the patrol wagon, kicked down the stove, and then rammed his head against the wall until he was exhausted. After securely tying the crazy beast, the police notified the dealer who sold him to the department and he agreed to remove him and furnish a new horse in "Black Pete's" place. It is said "locoed" horses never recover, but the dealer hopes to bring "Pete" back again to his senses.

LOVE IS VICTORIOUS.

Few Obstacles Can Thwart Cupid's Well-Laid Plans.

Phonograph Plays Important Part in the Romance of Mr. and Mrs. Bush—Marriage Service by Telephone.

There are more ways than one of getting married, and that is said without reference to the different customs prevailing in different countries. There are more ways than one of getting married in this country, where the appearance of bride and groom before a minister or justice with a marriage license is accepted as the proper way.

Accident has stepped in to prevent some of the weddings in which the persons chiefly concerned have refused to be delayed by circumstances and the marriage services have proceeded under difficulties and in strange forms but still being marriage ceremonies.

Of all these, one of the strangest is that of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Bush. They were to meet in a city where the bride had friends and were to be married the following day. Both carried out this part of the agreement, but two days before that set for the ceremony the bride was taken ill with diphtheria.

The house of the friend with whom she was stopping was immediately quarantined and the bridegroom was refused entrance. That looked like a postponement of the wedding, but the bridegroom thought differently. He set his wits to work and hit upon a plan.

Two phonographs were secured. So were a marriage license and a minister. Two cylinders were used. In one the clergyman propounded the questions to the bridegroom and the man gave his answers. The other cylinder was left untouched.

Both instruments then were taken to the bride's sick room by the nurse. They were placed on a table and the wedding began. One phonograph spoke the clergyman's questions, giv-

MARRIED BY TELEPHONE.

ing at the same time the bridegroom's answers.

When the clergyman addressed the bride, through the phonograph, she answered into the cylinder of the unused one. When he asked questions of the bridegroom the answers were given at once through the phonograph.

The minister and the bridegroom in reality were sitting below in the parlor of the house, probably smoking cigars and wondering how the ceremony was progressing upstairs.

Finally the nurse brought the two instruments downstairs and they knew that the service was over. They knew that the other cylinder contained the bride's answers and her final "yes." The clergyman shook hands with Mr. Bush and congratulated him on being a married man.

Any time Mr. and Mrs. Bush wish to hear the wedding service repeated all they have to do is to set two phonographs to going and the whole affair is gone over again. That is a useful institution to have in a household on wedding anniversaries and the like.

Miss Agnes Charter was a telephone girl. She was engaged to marry a Kansas man and the wedding was to take place in her home town of Denver. On the day set for the wedding several of the telephone girls were taken suddenly ill, and Miss Charter was obliged to work.

Charles Carver, the bridegroom, was a traveling man. On the morning of the day set for the wedding he was ordered to take a train for Omaha in three hours. It admitted of no delay. The two were confronted with the necessity of finding some way of holding the service or of postponing it for a month.

Miss Charter could not leave the office, but Carver thought of a plan. He placed the minister at a telephone and himself stood at the side. The minister went through the essential portions of the service rapidly. Miss Charter gave her answers from her seat in the telephone exchange and he from his position beside the minister. The minister, with the receiver in his ear, heard the answers of both bride and groom. The bridegroom had to take the word of the minister for the fact that his wife had accepted him.

The short service over, the bridegroom took the telephone, told his wife to take a train as soon as she could for Omaha, and then left the city. She joined him in two days.

Germans Are Economical.

In some of the hotels of Switzerland there are two wine-lists—one for Germans, and the other for Americans and Englishmen. The German list is 33 per cent. cheaper than the higher-priced list.

COW ATE BANKNOTES.

Belfast Cat Slept on Jewelry Worth a Thousand Dollars.

Stories of Animals That Ruined Their Owners—Men Betrayed by Dogs Are Quite Numerous — Plague of Collies.

A Belfast woman named Watkins was suspected of having stolen and hidden in her house a quantity of jewelry valued at £200. Detectives called, says London Answers, and made a thorough search, but failed to find the missing property.

Just as they were leaving the last room, having given up their task in despair, a cat which had been sitting with her kittens in a basket in the corner, got up, stretched herself and mewed. One of the officers turned back, looked into the basket, and there discovered the jewelry, hidden in the hay which formed the cat's bed. The cat's owner is now expiating her crime in jail.

Another curious case of an animal unwittingly delivering its master up to justice comes from Wednesbury. An iron worker of that town was cruel enough to throw his dog down a disused pit 60 feet deep. The poor creature's moans were heard by passers-by, and one of them named William Jeavons pluckily went down and rescued the unfortunate beast, which was badly injured. It was taken to the police station and well looked after, and shortly recovered. But, as it was not known to whom it belonged, no steps could be taken to punish the person responsible for the outrage.

A week or two later the dog was accompanying one of the policemen through the streets, when it suddenly ran into the house and began to play with the children. The officer entered, and the master of the house confessed that the dog belonged to him, and that he had thrown it down the pit. He was at once arrested and

THE CAT WAS THE THIEF.

very heavily fined for his brutal conduct.

A very peculiar case was recently recorded of such a harmless creature as a cow inflicting very serious loss upon its owner. A farmer in Lanark county, near Ottawa, in Canada, had $29 in notes of the Bank of Ottawa. These he placed in the pocket of his coat, which he hung on a fence while he worked. When he came back he found that the wind had blown his coat to the ground, the notes had fallen out and the cow was quietly chewing up the last of them.

A hawker was recently before the magistrates at Nottingham on a charge of poaching. The keepers had suspected him for a long time, but invariably failed to catch him. On this occasion, however, they had secured a dog, which was brought into court. The moment the poor faithful beast saw its master it sprang out of the arms of the policeman and rushed toward him. The evidence was held to be complete and the man was fined.

A most curious case of involuntary damage done by an animal comes from Worcestershire. During a heavy thunderstorm last August a valuable horse got terribly frightened, and, galloping up from the field toward the farm, got wedged in its blind panic between a wire fence and a barn containing a quantity of hay and valuable agricultural implements. Lightning struck the fence, and, passing through the body of the horse, killed it, afterward setting fire to the barn, which burned until it was completely gutted and all its contents destroyed beyond the possibility recognition.

Perhaps the most utter ruin ever inflicted upon human beings by domestic animals was in Patagonia, four or five years ago. A number of Scotch crofters emigrated to north Patagonia and began sheep farming, at which they were very successful. They brought out with them several valuable collies, and these for a time did good work.

But one winter one of these farmers died suddenly. His dogs, left without food, began to devour the sheep. They ran away, took to the hills and became the progenitors of a race of wild dogs which came down in packs and killed the sheep by hundreds.

So serious have matters become that a bounty of £2 a head is offered for these wild collies. If there are not soon exterminated it is said that the settlement must be given up, owing to the ravages of these animals.

Cheap Funerals in Berlin.

The officials of Berlin contemplate establishing of a city undertaker's which will supply funeral paraphernalia at cost prices.

HID DRUG IN HAIR.

Woman Morphine Fiend Kept Big Stock of the Poison Concealed Under Her Tresses.

"It is well known," said a nurse in an up-town sanitarium, to a New York Times reporter, "that women addicted to morphine will resort to all sorts of tricks to hide the drug for use when they know it will be kept from them. I am 'wise,' as they say, on all the violet bonbons, bouquets, chocolate drops, and similar resources of that description in which morphine is secreted. But the other day I was assigned to the care of a patient who beat me. Her supply of morphine was gradually reduced until the second day of treatment, and then cut off altogether. Still the patient continued to get morphine. There was no doubt about that. Not only myself but every nurse and employe in the house was under suspicion. The patient was a woman with a beautful and bountiful supply of hair. Her husband, who visited her twice a day, was virtually accused of bringing her the drug, and he was naturally indignant.

FOUGHT LIKE A WILDCAT.

"'What do you suppose I am paying good money for a cure for?' he asked.

"The fourth day the doctor in attendance stood for a long time over the patient, who was drowsy with morphine. Suddenly he put his arms around her and lifted her to a sitting posture.

"'Now,' he said, 'we are going to comb your hair, and perhaps you will feel refreshed.'

"The patient fought like a wildcat, and the secret was out. She had enough morphine hidden in her long hair to last her six weeks if we had not found it out."

DO YOU PLAY POKER?

If So, You Will Understand This Story Told by Pat Sheedy, Famous Gotham Sport.

Poker stories were being told, and finally "Pat" Sheedy told one. "It was out in Missouri," he said, "that five men sat down to a play a friedly game. Things went along fairly well for a time, and then there was a big jackpot. One of the players told me about it afterward.

"'I opened the pot and they all stayed,' he said. 'There was some raising done before the draw, which did

"OH! I WAS THE CORONER."

not scare anybody out and made the pot worth while. Then we took cards and the betting began. We put up about all the money we had and there was a showdown.

"'The dealer had a king full on aces. The man on his left showed three aces and a pair of kings. The other players, both of whom looked resolute and determined, held four kings and four aces respectively.

"The other man who was telling me about the game stopped there," continued Mr. Sheedy, "and I asked him: 'What did you hold?'

"'Me?' he queried. 'Me? Oh, I was the coroner and I held four inquests.'"

Wives Sold at a Bargain.

Wives are objects of bargains and sale in parts of Russia. In the district of Kamyschin, on the Volga, for example, the price of a pretty girl from a well-to-do family ranges from $50 to $100, and in special cases a much higher sum is obtained. In the villages the lowest price is about $25. It is customary for the fathers of the intending bride and bridegroom to haggle for a long time over the price to be paid for the young lady.

The Smallest Tree Known.

The Greenland birch is the smallest tree in the world. Although its height is less than three inches, it covers a radius of about 30 inches.

AGE LIMIT UNKNOWN

Cupid Robs the Cradle as Readily as the Grave.

When Love Enters the Heart Years Count for Nothing — Startling Elopement of Children—Romance of 50 and 60.

There is no age limit on romance. Children of 15 and 16 and old men and women of 50 and 60 and older will exhibit about the same emotions when they become involved in an affair of the heart.

To prove that romance knows no ages is simple. There is the case of Daisy Dutcher and Willie Falk. Daisy was just of the age when mother thinks of letting down another inch in her daughter's skirts. Willie was new to the dignity of long trousers. The lady in the case started it. She wrote a note on perfumed paper to Willie, asking him if he would marry her. Both lived in Torrington, Conn. She had gone to the trouble of finding out exactly where they might be married without difficulty, and in her letter she explained that this could be accomplished in Brewster, N. Y., just across the Connecticut state line.

The letter fell into the hands of Willie's mother, and she gasped when she realized its businesslike nature. She inquired about the fascinating Daisy, and discovered from her youthful son and heir that he had met the girl at a children's party two weeks previously, and that he had promptly fallen in love with her.

Mrs. Falk gave her precocious offspring some sound advice and a good scolding on the impropriety of his conduct and sent him to bed, telling him to think over her words of wisdom.

This he did, evidently, for the next day he was missing. He had put on his best suit of clothes and his new shoes. When inquiries were made at Daisy's home it was discovered that she, too, was missing. So, also, were her party gown, pink sash and flower bonnet.

Efforts were made to locate the children, but before anything could be done to prevent it the news was

DAISY WROTE A NOTE.

learned. They had been married by Rev. Joseph Charles, of Brewster, and had gone on a protracted honeymoon.

With that romance of 15 and 16 in mind you may read another of 50 and 60. Charles Doolittle, of Texas, lived with his sister. Mrs. Rebecca Williams was a widow of 55, who kept a cigar store in the town where Doolittle lived. He himself was 63 and never had been married.

His sister, strange to relate, had opposed the marriage of her brother. She had been so long accustomed to have him under her sisterly wing, attending to his wants and making his home for him, that she looked with suspicious eyes on any woman whom she might suspect of attracting him.

Charles, who had felt the gentle passion on several occasions, had been forced to break off all negotiations in the direction of matrimony because of her attitude.

When he fell in love with the widow Williams he realized that circumspection would have to be employed or this affair, like the others, would come to an untimely end. He began by buying his stogies at her store.

The widow became considerably mystified by these attentions until one day he handed her a banknote in payment of a bill, and out of it dropped another kind of a note. This proved to be a love letter, in which Charles declared his passion and stated the reasons for his caution.

The widow thought the matter over dispassionately. Charles was not an unprepossessing bridegroom, and the widow felt that he might add cheerfulness to her lonely life. She decided to accept, and the next time she handed him change a return note was pressed in his hand. This said "Yes."

Then Charles became slightly flustered, but he managed to hide his excitement from his sister. A marriage in his home town was out of the question. The sister would have dragged him from the altar.

An elopement was planned by means of the notes, and one day the widow hired a man to take charge of her shop while she made a visit to the neighboring city of Austin. Brother Charles also made excuses at home and slipped away.

That night the sister received a telegram announcing the marriage of the two. Now if she will give them her blessing she will be allowed to manage the affairs both of the home and the cigar store.

Snakes as Rat Catchers.

Tame snakes are found useful in Morocco, to clear houses of rats and mice.

MISSED NEARLY HALF.

Young Wife's Pronunciation Test for Verifying Suspicions Worked Only Too Well.

A St. Louis broker told a Republic reporter the other day of how a young thing, recently married to a colleague of his on the exchange, discovered that her hubby had been indulging a little too freely in the cup that cheers.

At first she held her breath, she was that frightened. Then followed a long period of suspense, wherein doubt upon doubt accumulated.

Finally she determined to find out beyond all possible doubt whether her suspicions were well founded. To a dear friend she confided the source of

HANDED HIM THE LIST.

her trouble; and from this friend she learned that it had always been said that a man even slightly intoxicated cannot pronounce words of any length. Whereupon the young wife decided that that would be a good plan to try.

When next the friend met the young wife she was in a state of great agitation. When asked if the suspicions had been verified, the young woman burst into tears and said that they had.

"I handed him this list," she said, between sobs, fishing from her bag a paper which gave to her friend, and which contained the following words:

"Phthisis, photochromy, hypochondriasis, parachronism, phenakistoscope, plesiosaurus, antimomianism, pseudaesthesia."

"And," she continued, while her friend read the list, "he missed nearly half of them."

MONSTER PANTHER SHOT.

Measured Nine Feet and Four Inches in Length and Had Been a Vicious Beast.

The largest panther ever killed in Nevada county, Cal., measuring nine feet and four inches in length, was put to death on Scotchman creek, near Washington, by Benjamin and Emmett McCullough not long ago. The men, while hunting, came upon a fine buck reposing in a small open space. A moment after a monster panther was seen about ten feet from the stag, crouching and ready to spring. One of the hunters shot at the panther just as it leaped and the beast rolled over on its back. Only for a moment, however, for it was on its feet in an instant and started for the men. As the beast advanced they kept their rifles going,

READY TO SPRING.

first one and then the other shooting at vital spots. Not until the panther was within a few feet of the men did it roll over on its back dead. The panther was full grown. Its claws were worn short from traveling over the rocky hills. Its skin, however, was soft and glossy. On many occasions the tracks of the panther have been followed in an effort to find the den of the beast, and several times members of hunting parties have caught glimpses of the animal. Sheep and live stock have suffered from its depredations.

Where Toads Are Venerated.

At the ancient church of St. Michael, at Schwartz, in the Tyrol, the sacred edifice is invariably kept securely closed on the evening before every great festival, and the simple peasantry of the district are convinced that on these occasions, when no one is present, an immense toad comes crawling before the altar, where it kneels and prays, weeping bitterly. No one ever hurts a toad in the Tyrol, for the population is imbued with the belief that toads are for the most part good Christians who have made vows to go on pilgrimages and who have died without fulfilling their pledges. So the poor creatures go hopping about astray, bewildered and perplexed, striving to find their way to shrines, which perchance have long ceased to exist.

HAS STRANGE POWER

California Woman Who Can Hypnotize the Insane.

The Thrilling Adventure in Which She First Demonstrated Her Influence—Asylum Authorities Solicit Her Assistance.

Mrs. Johanna Gertz, a frail little California woman, living 12 miles from Los Angeles, has discovered that she has a remarkable power over insane persons, and she is using it in an extraordinary way.

Mrs. Gertz lives in a lonely section with only one neighbor, a circumstance that first called into play her strange gift of hypnotism.

Not long ago, about noon, Mrs. Gertz was at the kitchen table preparing luncheon, when the outer door flew open and a wild-eyed, disheveled man rushed in, grabbed her by the arm and shouted: "Make haste! you must be ready to go with me in five minutes!"

"Go where?" calmly inquired Mrs. Gertz, looking squarely into his eyes.

"Through space to the region of pain and sorrow. Hurry; there is not a moment to lose! If we are not off in ten minutes I must kill you."

This was enough to frighten any ordinary woman beyond power of action, but Mrs. Gertz is not an ordinary woman. Besides, she had her thrre children to think of. Her husband would not return until night; Mrs. Fiske, her only neighbor, was beyond call.

All this flashed through her mind as she stood with her calm eyes fixed on the wild ones of the maniac, who had taken out a block of wood in the shape of a watch and stood as though waiting for the allotted ten minutes to elapse before springing at Mrs. Gertz.

Mrs. Gertz endeavored to divert the

SHE RAISED HER HAND.

madman's thoughts from herself. "Ask for Tom," she suggested.

"Where's Tom?" shrieked the man.

"Out in the orchard," Mrs. Gertz replied. "Will you call him?"

Off raced the man toward the orchard, and off flew Mrs. Gertz with her three chidren, to the home of Mrs. Fiske.

"Lock the children in the house and come over to my house right away!" she called. "There is a crazy man there, and I must get him to the asylum before he harms any one. I am going to try hypnotising him, and I believe I can do it!"

Dashing back to her own yard, Mrs. Gertz met the man striding toward her. She raised her hand with a commanding gesture and, standing perfectly still, said, in a ringing voice: "Peace!"

Instantly the wild look left the maniac's eyes and he stood rigid. Going close to him, her eyes never wavering, she placed her hand upon his forehead, drew it down over his eyes, and commanded him, mentally, to open the front gate and sit outside on the ground until she came.

Wheeling around, the man strode off, obeying her implicitly.

Mrs. Gertz followed him, and when he was seated passed her hand once more over his eyes and suggested that he go to sleep. He fell back in a deep slumber.

In the meantime Mrs. Fiske, by Mrs. Gertz' orders, had harnessed the horse to a double-seat carriage and stood, with a gun cocked, awaiting her friend's next move. Mrs. Gertz took the man by the arm, and her mind ordered him to awake. She then commanded him to get in the carriage and sit on the floor between the seats, all the while suggesting "peace, peace."

With not the slightest resistance, the man did as he was commanded. The two women placed themselves on the front seat, Mrs. Fiske driving and Mrs. Gertz keeping watch of the now thoroughly hypnotized man, ready to put her hand on his forehead at the least sign of violence.

The officials at the Highlands asylum questioned Mrs. Gertz regarding her adventure, and three physicians connected with the institution, specialists in insanity, were called in.

Mrs. Gertz gave an exhibition of her hypnotic power by going through the wards and subduing the ravings of the inmates. The New York World says that her assistance was solicited in removing dangerous victims of insanity from their homes to the asylum, and she was also requested to pay daily visits to the institution for the purpose of controlling the most unruly members, and by her wonderful power assisting in the cure of the least hopeless.

WOMEN ARE FICKLE.

They Do Not Always Marry the Men Who Want Them.

Disappointed Farmer Took the Only Girl He Could Get—Missouri's Champion Fickle Girl — Married in Jail.

When the unexpected occurs in a matrimonial affair it becomes a romance. That seems to be the commonly accepted way of looking at love and marriage. When the young people issue cards and all that, it is simply a wedding. When they do things they are not expected to do, it is a romance.

Now, no one has any great desire to be like every one else. Especially in the great event of their lives young people are extremely apt to want to be different. That may be the solution for so many "romances," says the Chicago Tribune.

There are other reasons, of course. Once in awhile conditions force the lovers to adopt strange methods. There is the story of the farmer from North Dakota who went to Bismarck to marry the girl of his choice. He thought he was her choice until he went to her residence with the marriage license, and she told him she had thought it over and had decided she would rather be a sister to him.

Adam Greisher, the farmer concerned, was not the style of man who postpones a wedding merely because the bride has backed down. He took his dismissal with good grace and started away from the house. Near the railroad station he stopped a citizen of Bismarck and asked:

"Do you know of a woman around here who wants to get married?"

"There's only one," replied the stranger, "and she's just taking a train to leave town."

The farmer sought her out. He had ten minutes for love making, but he proved eloquent. She left the train with him. They had the name in the

LEFT THE TRAIN TOGETHER.

marriage license changed and were married. They left Bismarck that evening behind the farmer's pair of horses bound for his farm.

"What's the name of your new wife?" he was asked as he was leaving.

"Her name is—what did you say your name was?" he asked, turning to her.

She laughed and said:

"It was Marion Hershberger. It's now Marion Greshler."

They drove away happily and are expected to live happily "ever afterwards."

In Missouri there is a bride who has upheld woman's title to fickleness in a startling fashion. She is, or was, Miss Lizzie Bradley. She should have been made Mrs. Robert Eastin, but she now is Mrs. Charles Lyons. Eastin went to Salisbury to keep his wedding arrangement with the young girl. He found that she had changed her mind.

She was prepared for the wedding with Eastin when a new suitor appeared in the field. He was a late entry, but Miss Bradley listened to his suit and came to the conclusion that she preferred him to her fiance. It was not considered necessary to inform the bridegroom of the change of heart. Probably no one thought of him. He was allowed to proceed with his wedding preparations while the young girl and her new suitor were married quietly and left town.

When Eastin came to keep the appointment with his fiancee there was no bride to be found. An inquiry was started, and it was finally discovered that she had changed her mind and was already the wife of another man.

To match this story there is one from Muskogee, I. T., relating that Miss Hattie Bennett married William Wright in the county jail and then went on her honeymoon alone, leaving the bridegroom to serve out his sentence, upon which he was entering as she took the train.

Just before the wedding the groom was unfortunate enough to be caught in the act of removing valuables which did not belong to him from a house which was not his. The United States marshal took possession of hi mand he found that he was in closer proximity to a courtroom than he was to the altar.

Miss Bennett, however, is a young woman with decided ideas. She had no intention of abandoning her bridegroom because he was in the grip of the law and she found a way by which the marriage could be performed in the jail. The marshal and the bridegroom consented and after the ceremony had been performed she left on her solitary wedding trip.

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To Recur.

Recurring to the meeting held in New York City not long since, in the interest of Tuskegee Institute, at which Grover Cleveland was the most distinguished speaker, it might be well to remind our readers of the gist of the remarks bearing upon the negro problem as announced by the Ex-President and which clearly shows that the purpose of Tuskegee and its supporters is not to lift the negro up to a plane of equality with the whites but rather to emphasize racial distinction and perpetuate racial prejudices now existing among the whites regarding the negro.

In his appeal for help for Tuskegee, the Ex-President makes use of the following language: "Whatever it is let us be tolerant and considerate, of the feelings and even the racial instinct of our white fellow citizens of the South." This is the whole thing in a nutshell. The great meeting at New York was no held for the purpose of announcing the humane doctrine of the brotherhood of man and the loyalty of all races befor the law, but was designed to aid a negro in becoming a more powerful tool in the attempt to retard the progress of the race and to disseminate the false doctrine of the superiority of the white man and the existence of racial prejudices which render it impossible for the colored people to hope for even eventual equality. The sequel to this meeting is its best explanation As a result of it a fabulous sum was contributed to the Institute, placed in the hands of white men to carry out the scheme of absolute subjection and utter helplessness. The present policy is to be tolerant of the [illegible] of the whites of the South, without putting into the equation the rights and feelings of the colored people. And what has been the outcome of all this? A mob has defied the U. S. authority and threatens to kill its colored officer even when in the discharge of his sworn duty. This tolerance of the feelings of the South has begotten an audacity which the banditti of Italy or the southern illicit whiskey distiller dares not display.

It has also brought to the front two classes of marplots; the cold hearted and calculating devotee of mammon, the idoliter of the golden calf, and the wily politician.

In one case those who have spent all of their time and study in the accumulation of wealth, have, after they have [illegible] forfeited of gold assumed to take in charge moral and intellectual matters about which they know absolutely nothing and are infinitely less. This assumption has grown out of money worship which has taken hold of the masses who mistake scheming and race immolation for generousity.

While those who have stood for manhood rights of the negro and who are today as firmly fixed in their belief in his rights and capacity as ever, are giving encouragement to universal enlightenment and widespread knowledge on all of the departments of human activity, these groveling materialists are talking about the "Saturnalia of reconstruction days" and justifying the unchristian spirit and brutality which is manifested at the south. "If these great philanthropists? wanted to help us they might have been silent about our share in the humiliation and spoilation of the white men of the South." But all this sympathy and contribution is but "springs to catch wood cocks." It is self laudation and self conceit on the one and a little politicsl trick on the other. The one to palliate the meanness of not employing colored operators in their manufacturing concerns and the other to cater to the South in order to mollify the asperity of feelings engendered by non acquiescenses in the St. Louis platform. But the veil is too thin. They may fool a great many colored people and all of the southern people, but the masses of the race and our friends at the north cannot so easily be hood-winked.

THE REPUBLICAN PARTY.

It is not a question of conjecture as to the present status of the republican party towards the negro. The party is now one composed of practical politicians and not states men. The day for statesmen passed out of existence during the time of Calhoun, Stevens, Sumner, Douglass, Webster, Conkling, Wade, Martin and others. Sumner was the exponent of universal freedom. He believed in the liberty of men and the purity of governments. The republican party of to day believes in juggling while the democratic party is one of oppression so far as the negro is concerned The question now is, will it be to the interest of the negro to desert the republican party and go to the enemy of freedom and honest elections? These are questions that demand the most serious consideration of the negro. The political rights of the negro are abridged and today he is nothing more than a voter by sufferance. The courts have declared that the negro, in States, have no political rights that the white man should respect. The question now is, can the negro suffer any more under a democratic government than he is suffering under a republican regime?

THE CIVIL LIBERTY PARTY.

The National Convention of the Civil Liberty Party which was to have been held at Cincinnati, Ohio, May 24th has been postponed to September 10th. All delegates have been notified to that effect, This will be one of the most representative gatherings of colored men ever held in the United States President S, P. Mitchell is in Petersburg, Va., attending an industrial convention and at the same time he has issued a notice to all regularly elected delegates to prepare and meet in Cincinnati, Ohio September 10th. This Convention is for the purpose.

DON'T BE SURPRISED.

From the Boston Guardian.

Most of the leading Negro Journals failed to mention the decision in the Alabama case last week, but all of them run columns in praise of Washington's gift, and the bickerings of one Sweeney, a defunct and excavated "editor" of yore, on Washington's greatness! Is it possible that a bequest to a little school in Alabama for a few students is of more importance than the rights of the whole race?

Brethren, brethren, wake up, wake up, and quit you like men!

The able editor of the *Guardian* need not be surprised at anything. If one half of the negro editors received a good thrashing, the other half would think they were slighted if they failed to receive a similar thrashing. Then the entire body would sing the praises of those who thrashed them. Don't be surprised editor Trotter, the *Guardian* stands at the head of progressive negro journalism.

Unless all signs fail there will be a "scrap in the democratic nominating camp." It looks like the field against Grover.

The notion of "dispensing" with the negro has taken a new turn. It now comes from a General in the army that the way to kill off the negro is to enlist him in the army and put him in the front ranks. If the battle is hot the negro will be the first to hunt for heaven.

The result in the Baltimore election shows that even the fine hand of Gorman may not succeed. With the disfranchisement scheme and other methods of like character barely pulled the democrats out. The republicans however got the lower branch of the city council,

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It seems that the government is now engaged in "squelching" indictments in Cuba and exposing the petty misdemeanors of the colored people. Fine occupation!!

It used to be Perry Gleason and Andy Carson, but now it is Booker Cleveland and Grover Washington.

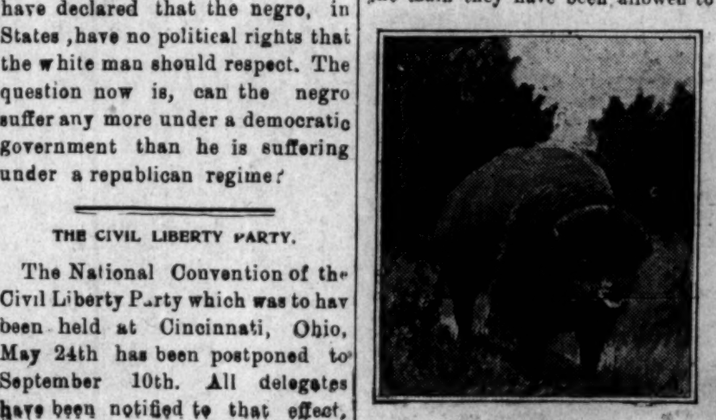
The South American Republics can teach the Caucasian one lesson at least. They have demonstrated how to hold a job and make the common people believe that you don't want it.

What with the Educational Conference, disfranchisement, ostracism and what not the question is, will there be anything left of the Negro.

DEAL IN BUFFALOES.

Largest Herd in the World, Consisting of 75 Animals, Has Just Changed Owners.

The largest herd of buffaloes in the world has just changed hands. There are 75 of the animals in the bunch, the nucleus of which was the five small buffalo calves in 1882, when they were caught on the great plains and placed in captivity. At that time the Dupree family were hunting and capturing the calves. They were with an immense herd on the Little Missouri river and after being taken were hauled in a wagon to the Dupree ranch. They were carefully reared, and after the first five years the increase has been very heavy. At different times animals have been sold to menageries and zoological gardens throughout the country, but in the main they have been allowed to



"OLD MONARCH."
(Head of the Largest Herd of Buffaloes Now in Existence.)

roam at will over the 1,000-acre tract upon which they are confined, and consequently have lost none of their shyness where man is concerned.

James W. Phillips, a wealthy ranchman, has purchased the entire herd and has removed them to his ranch in South Dakota. He has enclosed an immense tract of fine grazing land with a fence 12 feet high and very strong. The posts are placed three feet from each other, and every precaution made to properly care for the big animals.

Phillips, the new owner, is himself one of the unique characters of South Dakota. Coming to Dakota when a boy of 16 with nothing but the clothes on his back, he is now a millionaire several times over and has made a success of the cattle business. He has been a resident of this country almost 30 years and knows every man, woman and child in it. His early life was replete with adventures with Indians and outlaws, and while still a young man he has seen much of life.

Just what he intends to do with his new purchases is not clear. It is reported that he intends to take the entire herd to the Louisian Purchase exposition at St. Louis, that being his scheme to attract attention to South Dakota. From this it is said he expects to sell thousands of acres of land which he owns but for which there is no market at present.

This is by far the largest herd of buffalo in existence, says the New York Herald, the second largest being that owned by Buffalo Bill in the Big Horn basin of Wyoming. Here Col. Cody has a herd of about 40 buffaloes, six or eight of which he takes with him with his Wild West show.

In the foot hills of Montana is located the only herd of wild buffaloes known. The band contains only 20 or 25 animals and is slowly decreasing. There is a strict rule against killing them, and they are not molested by hunters, but occasionally a mountain wolf succeeds in pulling down a calf or a heifer. In this way the herd is gradually losing ground, and within a few years will have disappeared.

But the Dupree herd is fast gaining in number, and within a few years Mr. Phillips will have more buffaloes than he knows what to do with.

German Crown Jewels.

The value of the jewels at the disposal of the German empress is about $1,250,000. Of these, however, only $500,000 worth are her private property. The others belong to the crown and are simply lent to the empress. The present empress does not care to wear jewels, except on state occasions, nor does the emperor care to see them on her in daily life; hence weeks often pass without her seeing them.—London News.

SIMPLE STONE SLAB.

Marks the Exact Center of United States Population.

It Lies in a Barnyard, and Indiana Man Who Owns the Place Is Very Proud of His Unique Distinction.

J. Pierpont Morgan, the main shaft of the world's financial machinery, or Andrew Carnegie, the cynosure of millions of people who are receiving the benefits of his philanthropy, could not feel prouder of their respective distinctions than does Henry Marr, just a plain farmer, who resides near Columbus, Bartholomew County, Ind.

By referring to a bulletin issued by the census department it is found that the exact center of population is located at latitude 39 degrees 9 minutes and 36 seconds north, longitude 85 degrees 48 minutes and 54 seconds west. If a person is desirous of visiting the spot a better idea of its location can be secured by asking any resident of Columbus. Almost invariably the answer to such a question will be: "Five miles southwest of Columbus, in Hen' Marr's barn lot."

Marr is the person who enjoys the prominence of being the center man of population of the whole United States. It is quite a distinction, too, and, according to the Cincinnati Enquirer, Marr fully appreciates it. The pivotal stone is merely a small, flat slab sunk into the ground in the barn lot, leaving only the top surface exposed to the central atmosphere. On it is carved the simple inscription "1900." The marker, while not extraordinarily pretentious, is a more elaborate affair. Several hundred farmers and other visitors were present the day the stones were placed in position.

Once inside the inclosure no trouble is experienced in finding the monument. It is planted in the ground about 18 feet from the corner of the

STANDING ON THE STONE.
(Mrs. Henry Marr Occupying the Center of Her Country.)

huge red barn, which occupies the center of the barnyard. With measured strides and a feeling of awe one advances in respectful silence to the spot. The first impulse to betray real curiosity is evident in a force which invariably compels one to step upon the stone. Not until then does a person realize that he has been paid for taking the trip, for the instant the feet are planted solidly upon the monument the curiosity seeker is suddenly made to fully appreciate the novel inward sensation of imagining 18,650,000 the same number to the west, to the north and to the south.

Many persons from different parts of the United States have already visited the spot, and all have been more or less courteously treated by Farmer Marr and his wife. Tourists happening around the Marr home about meal time will more than likely have an opportunity of finding out what a good cook is Mrs. Marr.

Marr was born 40 years ago and for the last 17 years has resided on the farm on which are located the monuments. The magnificent country home was built a few years ago at a cost of about $8,000. It stands out enticingly on an estate containing 500 acres. The Marr domicile is a model of completeness. It would do credit in appearance to most any residence district of the larger cities, and besides it is fitted out with about all the conveniences one could wish. The family receives its mail daily by rural carrier. Incidentally it might be mentioned that the Marrs were beneficiaries of the first rural delivery route instituted in the United States, the initial route having ramified through Bartholomew county as an experiment from the little town of Hope, near there.

A Japanese Superstition.

No Japanese ever sleeps with his head to the north. This is because the dead in Japan are always buried with their heads in that position. In the sleeping rooms of many of the private houses and hotels a diagram of the points of the compass is posted upon the ceiling for the convenience of guests.

Frog Farms in Canada.

Frogs are raised in large numbers in Canada to supply the demand for frogs' legs in the United States. One frog farm in Ontario last year produced 5,000 pounds of dressed frogs' legs and 7,060 frogs for medical experiments.

Has a Scented Automobile.

A scented automobile is run by Lord Anglesey, a British nobleman. When he goes abroad on his car, instead of the fumes of gasoline or some other noxious odor being left in his train, there is a fragrance of cologne.

CURIOUS INVENTION.

It Consists of a Portable Stove Which Is Strapped on the Back and Heated with Oil.

In many portions of this country the cold in winter is intense enough to make one prefer a warm fireside to exposure in the open air, no matter how much we may talk about the "bracing" effect of this kind of weather. For those who are compelled to face the cold under conditions where the natural heat of the blood is not sufficient to keep the body comfortable an Oregon inventor has produced a portable foot and body warmer, which he thinks will at least prevent the extremities from freezing.

It is well known, says the Chicago News, that when a person is overcome

READY FOR AN OUTING.
(Portable Stove, Heated by Oil, Strapped to the Back.)

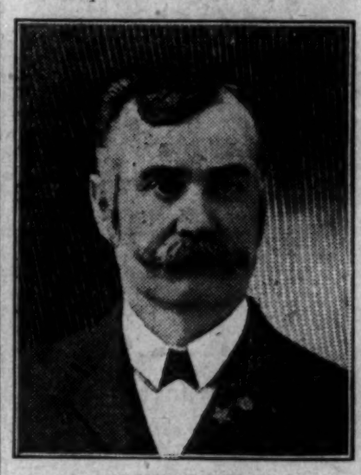
by the cold the numbness first starts in the hands and feet, chilling the blood until the circulation is reduced to such an extent that it no longer carries the heat from the heart and lungs to the surface to fight the cold. The use of this invention is to maintain the warmth of the extremities artificially by circulating a continuous stream of warm water from the miniature stove through a series of pipes leading to warming pads in contact with the hands and feet or other parts of the body.

The stove, which is strapped on the back, is provided with oil for fuel and the flame maintains a comparatively high temperature inside the adjacent boiler, through which the liquid passes in its circuit of the pipes. These pipes are of rubber and can be easily adjusted inside the clothing. While it is not expected this novelty will come into general use, there is little question that it is capable of overcoming the effects of the intense cold of a northern winter and its introduction will make extreme low temperature easier for the body to withstand.

GEORGE L. TIPTON.

Popular Illinois Editor Elected Treasurer of the Mutual Protective League.

At the recent triannual meeting of the Supreme council of the Mutual Protective league, located at Litchfield, Ill., which has a present membership of 20,000, honored their order by choosing Editor George L. Tipton, of the Girard Gazette, Girard, Ill., as the supreme treasurer of their order. Editor Tipton is a member of the Illinois Press association, has represented the Illinois association numerous times in the National Press association. Twenty-five years as editor has given him a wide acquaintance and few men are



GEORGE L. TIPTON.
(New Treasurer of the Mutual Protective League.)

known better than he with the newspaper men. He is the oldest publisher in his county, he having been connected with the Gazette since it was first published. He is also a leading politician in his county and is quite a fraternal man, being a member of all the leading fraternal organizations of importance. He is married and has a happy family, composed of wife, two sons and a daughter.

A Mother to the Girl.

The woman who had lost her maid at the moment that she was expecting visitors went to the janitor in her distress, hoping that he might be able to find some one to help her out. He was Hibernian and effusively sympathetic. "Shure an' it's too bad," he assured her, "an' you afther bein' a mither to that girl!" As the girl was as black as a negro could be, the woman took the compliment with reservations.

Man with Real Big Head.

Arthur Jennings, aged 27 years, of Florence, Colo., has a big head. It measures 36 inches in circumference. He has agreed to sell it to an eastern medical institute for $2,000—half to be paid at once and the other half when Arthur dies and the head is delivered.

JOHN BROWN'S BODY

Authentic Story of Origin of the Famous War Song.

Oshkosh (Wis.) Banker, Who Was One of the Original Quartette That Sang It in 1861, Talks About Its Composition.

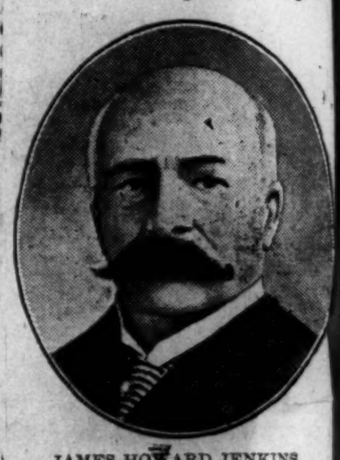
Efforts by veterans of the great civil war to discover the authors of "John Brown's Body" from the ash heap of time, have brought to light the history of the stirring song.

A man in Oshkosh is able to tell the story, for he was one of the original quartette that sang it over 40 years ago, and he assisted in the evolution of the song. This modest veteran of the rebellion, who was one of the band who made the memorable escape from the tunnel at Libbey prison, is James Howard Jenkins, president of the German national bank of Oshkosh.

This is how Mr. Jenkins tells of the birth of the song: In the early autumn of 1861 the Boston light infantry, a battalion of three companies, under command of Maj. Rogers, of the Boston Journal, was sent to Fort Warren in Boston harbor, for drill and garrison duty. This battalion was made up largely of the better class of city boys and was to Boston what the Seventh regiment was to New York.

When the demand for troops became pressing the battalion offered its services, which, however, could not be accepted, save as it could be incorporated in one of the regiments then forming. Accordingly the battalion disbanded and a rush was made by its members to enlist in the Twelfth and Thirteenth regiments. The Twelfth was completed first and was sent to Fort Warren for organization and drill.

Among its members were many excellent singers. One of the male quartettes was composed of four sergeants—Jenkins, Brown, Edgerley and Eldredge—who were continually on the lookout for a good marching mel-



JAMES HOWARD JENKINS.
(One of the Four Original Singers of "John Brown's Body.")

ody upon which to construct a regimental war song. From some unknown quarter came a verse:

"John Brown's body lies a mouldering in the grave."
"His soul is marching on."
"Glory, glory, Hallelujah!"

In searching for a fitting tune they adapted an old camp meeting melody sung by the colored Methodists at the Martha's Vineyard camp meetings to the words: "Come, brothers, will you meet us?"

The song "took" at once, and the simplicity of the chorus, with its swing and lilt, made it at once popular. The verses that followed were improvised from time to time. The death of Col. Ellsworth, which occurred at that time, occasioned the verse:

"We lament the death of Col. Ellsworth,
And his pets (his Zouaves) will meet him on the way."

The second tenor of the quartette was a short, broad-shouldered Scotchman named John Brown. When he put on his knapsack for the first time with his red-lined overcoat rolled on its top, he looked so topheavy that the boys laughed at him. But quick-witted and good-natured, he retorted by marching up and down, singing:

"John Brown's knapsack is strapped upon his back."

This was straightway added to the list of verses. "We'll hang Jeff Davis to a sour apple tree" was the natural expression of a rampant Massachusetts man.

On Saturday afternoons Gilmore's band came to the fort to play at dress parade, and large numbers of visitors were also present. One Saturday the quartette went with Gilmore into one of the casemates and sang the song to him, he following with his cornet till he had fixed the air in his memory. On his return to Boston he had it arranged for his band. The following Saturday it was played for the first time in front of the Twelfth Massachusetts volunteer infantry at dress parade at Fort Warren, Boston harbor.

On its way to the front the regiment passed through New York and dined on City Hall square. When the line was formed to march down Broadway to the ferry the band struck up "John Brown," and the regiment sang it to the cheers and shouting and excitement of the thousands that lined the street.

Of the original quartette, John Brown was drowned while crossing a swollen stream near Fort Royal. Eldredge died some years ago. Edgerley at last accounts was living in Boston. The fourth member of the quartette, J. H. Jenkins, has lived in Oshkosh since 1865, and has presented the foregoing as what he conceives to be the correct version of the origin of the most famous of the northern battle songs of the civil war.

Mr. Littleton Jones keeps quite sick.

Dr. Thomas L. Jackson has returned to his home in Baltimore, Md.

Mrs. Mamie Sabbs who has been quite sick, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boggins have returned from New York.

Miss Mabel Brooks has returned to her school in Wilmington Delaware.

Prof. Moore of Howard University and Miss Waring of the Public Schools will be married shortly,

Dr. E. E. Underwood of Frankfort Ky., is in the city the guest of Mr Charles Peters, 1916 11th street north west. Dr. Underwood is the Editor o the Blue Grass Bugle.

Col. W. P. Bradlow passed through the city Thursday for his home in Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs Samuel King of New York of the Sons of Ham show left the city to day where they will play for Pottsville Pa. The Bee next week will tell you who these two distinguished singers are.

Cards are out for the marriage of Miss Daisy Robb, the daugter of Mr. and Mrs. Carter Robb 1431 11th street northwest to Mr. Jno. Wright. The Wedding is to take place early in June

Miss Thomas of 1429 W street northwest entertained a few friends at her comfortable residence last Monday evening. Cards and dancing were the amusements for the evening after which refreshments were served. All were happy.

Monday night a great jolification meeting was held at Galbraith A. M. E. Zion Church 6th street northwest to witness the hearing of the $7.000 mortgage lifted from the church. Lieut. Toomey presided and all sung praises for the great success achieved by the Dr. Corrothers and the various clubs presented the Doctor with purses of money amounting in all to $71.40.

Miss Henretta Harris of 2117 H street northwest died Friday evening the 18th inst. after an illness of two weeks. Her funeral was held from the 19th street Baptist Church Sunday afternoon. Rev. W. H. Brooks preached the funeral sermon assisted by Rev. Middleton. Dr. Brooks paid a high tribute to the life and character of the deceased who for many years was a devoted and faithful member of that Church. Miss Harrris was employed in the Government Printing Office for sixteen years and a member of the Bookbinders Union, True Reformers, Christian Mite Society, Womens Christians Temperance Union, Home Mission Society Industrial Union and the Christian Endeavor. The interment was made at Harmony Cemetery.

Representatives from all these societies attended the funeral.

DECEPTION WAS VAIN.

Why One Canadian Bishop Will Never Again Depart from the Road of Veracious Conversation.

An eminent Canadian bishop lately paid a visit of inspection to a lunatic asylum near Toronto. Before introducing the bishop to one of the inmates, the physician in charge warned him not to cross or contradict the unfortunate man, but to agree with all he said.

"If you humor him," said the physician, "you will doubtless find him agreeable, intelligent and apparently sane, his only mania being that everybody is conspiring against him."

The bishop assented, and was soon conversing amicably with the lunatic, who finally said:

"I see Queen Victoria is married again."

"Um—er—well—Oh! of course," assented the bishop, after some natural hesitation, in view of the queen's death.

"So she's married President McKinley, has she?" queried the lunatic next.

This arbitrary mating of two of the world's illustrious dead was almost too much for the bishop to sanction, even in the interests of peace and harmony, but he finally managed to acquiesce with fairly good grace.

"Well, who are you, anyway?" blurted out the lunatic.

"I am a minister of the Gospel," replied the bishop.

"Humph!" retorted the lunatic; "you look like a parson and you dress like a parson, but you lie like a heathen."

Nice Remedy, But Costly.

A long ride in an automobile, for an hour before retiring, is said to be an almost certain cure for sleeplessness. Unfortunately, this remedy is beyond the reach of the poor.

BALDWIN DENIES IT.

General Declares Officially That He Never Pronounced Negroes and Filipinos to Be Curs.

The war department at Washington took official cognizance of the reported statements of Gen. Frank D. Baldwin, commander of the department of the Colorado, in disparagement of the Filipinos and Negroes as soldiers, and Secretary Root directed a formal inquiry to be addressed to Gen. Baldwin asking whether or not he had been correctly quoted. The general promptly denied that he ever made the statements attributed to him. Gen. Baldwin is fresh from the Philippines and has just succeeded Gen. Funston in command of the department of the Colorado, with headquarters at Denver. The statements attributed to Gen. Baldwin to which official exception was taken are as follows:

"One of my reasons for liking the Filipino as a soldier is the same that gives me a preference for the Negro in the same capacity. In a fight I am not worried about his safety, as it doesn't make any difference whether he gets killed or not.

"You can understand my point better by taking the case of a full-blooded dog and a cur. If you owned them you would sooner sacrifice the cur than lose the better dog, which you prize."

Gen. Baldwin entered the military service as second lieutenant of a Michigan regiment in September, 1861, and served until the close of the civil war, reaching the grade of captain. In February, 1866, he was appointed second lieutenant in the Nineteenth regular infantry, and has served with that arm continuously since, passing through all the grades to that of colonel, which he reached July 26, 1901. June 9, 1902, he was appointed brigadier general. He will reach the retiring age July 26, 1906.

CHILD LABOR PROBLEM.

Chicago Choir Boy Attempted to Take a Hand in Settling It to His Own Advantage.

"The young 'kid' of the present day is entirely too practical," commented the man whose eldest son had reached the precocious age of eight years.

"Yes? What's he been doing now?" wearily quizzed a Chicago Inter Ocean reporter. He expected another "proud papa" story.

"Oh, my wife came home a few evenings ago enthusiastic, or rather indignant, over the child-labor question after she had heard an address by some women on the subject. She expressed herself very forcibly at the dinner table that evening to the effect that no child should be compelled to work, and the youngster contented himself with commenting that 'Papa says we can't eat if we don't work.'

"I'M NOT GOING TO SING ANY MORE."

"The burning question of the day was forgotten until last Sunday morning. His mother was about to prepare the boy for church, where he sings every Sunday as a choir boy.

"'I'm not going to sing any more,' he announced, when she called him from the kitchen, where he had been teasing the cat in a very irreligious manner.

"'Why not, Willie?' inquired his surprised mother.

"'I'm not 14 years old yet,' he explained.

"She was rather mystified until he continued, 'you said children under 14 years should not work.'

"'You're a naughty boy, and think how nice it is to sing in church,' she said, coaxingly.

"'Well, it's mighty uncomfortable, and my growth is getting stunted from prayin' so much,' he argued.

"To this sacrilegious argument there was no reply and the boy sociologist was spanked. There was a choir boy with red eyes at services that day, but he appreciated that there is a halo of piety around his occupation which must suffice for all physical discomforts."

Why He Disagreed.

Foreman of the Locked-in Jury (impatiently)—The rest of us are agreed, and you would see the case as we do if you had an ounce of brains.

Obstinate Juror (reflectively)—But that's just the trouble. I've got more than an ounce.—Stray Stories.

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The wedding service of Thomas Hartigan, of Renovo, Va., and Miss Susan Thompson was decidedly peculiar, although its oddness resulted from eccentricity. Fifty years ago the two were engaged to be married. The day was set, the license secured, the guests gathered at the church, the bride waiting, and then the bridegroom appeared in his shirt sleeves. Of course there was a how-de-do.

Miss Thompson declared with considerable energy that if Mr. Harti-

"THE MAN IS STILL READY."

gan did not consider the ceremony worthy of his coat there would be no wedding. Mr. Hartigan asserted with equal wrath that if his shirt sleeves were good enough to eat in they were good enough to be married in, and out of the church he walked.

There was a sensation, but both the bride and the groom stuck to their positions. No coat, no wedding, declared the bride. And the bridegroom said there would be no coat.

The town forgot the episode after awhile. So did the bride and groom, but neither married. Years went by, and still Miss Thompson remained Miss Thompson and Hartigan a bachelor. Fifty years afterwards Hartigan met his old sweetheart. They became interested in talking over the odd affair which separated them at the altar so many years before, and found that both had regretted it.

"I have come to believe that it is not so much the coat but the man that one marries," said Miss Thompson.

"If you feel that way about it," said Hartigan, "the man is still ready."

Another day was set, and again the church was filled. At the appointed time in came the bridegroom—but again in his shirt sleeves. The guests who knew the story of the broken match 50 years before gasped and turned their eyes towards the bride. She laughed as she saw her bridegroom.

"Coat or no coat, he is good enough for me this time," she said. They were married, and the town may build a monument to the man who stood out 50 years for the privilege of being married in his shirt sleeves.

SECRET WORRIED HIM.

And What Happened When He Told Her That She Was Not His First Own True Love.

"A few weeks ago," confessed a man to a Chicago Tribune reporter, "I became engaged to quite the most fascinating member of her sweet sex, but

"IS THAT REALLY ALL?"

instead of being—as I ought to have been—the happiest lover in Chicago, I have been living ever since on thorns. The truth is, my conscience, such as is left of it, was uneasy, for before putting my fate to the test I omitted to tell the lady of my love that she was not the first idol who had been enshrined in my heart—in other words, I had been engaged before.

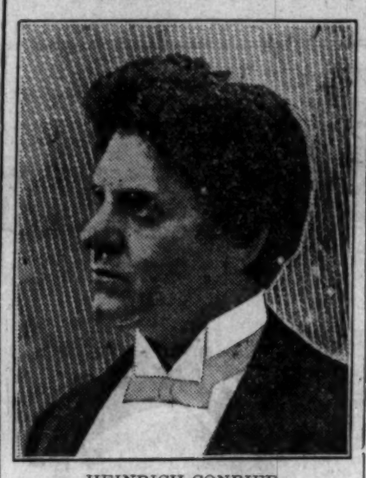
"Ever since I won her promise to be mine I felt that I should have no peace until I broke this dreadful secret to her, but how I dreaded to do it! Many a time the confession trembled on my lips, but it stopped at the tremble. At length, driven desperate, I forced it out, and it sounded all the more dreadful for its long imprisonment.

"In an agony of suspense I awaited my doom. It came at last in this form. First she looked at me in an amused way, then, to my astonishment, she burst into a peal of laughter—sweet, silvery laughter—and then, when she had recovered sufficiently, she said: 'Is that really all? Why, you silly boy, I had been engaged three times before ever I saw you!'"

NEW OPERA DIRECTOR.

Mr. Conried, Recently Made Manager of Metropolitan Opera House, Is an Able Man.

Mr. Heinrich Conried, who has just been elected director of the Metropolitan opera house, New York city, is one of the most prominent and picturesque personalities in the dramatic world. His genius for stage direction is so great that his own theater (the Irving Place, New York city) may be said to be the only American playhouse preserving the classic traditions of the Comedie Francaise at Paris or the Burg theater at Vienna. The guiding principle of each of these three theaters is



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to seek for excellence in performance rather than of performer. At each, leading actors are often invited to assume minor roles. Theatergoers thus have the comfortable assurance that every character will receive adequate representation, and that the resultant whole will be consistently artistic. The emphasis of this principle should be characteristic of next year's performances at the Metropolitan opera house under Mr. Conried's direction. The audience will have an opportunity to hear, not merely singers, but operas.

The new manager of the greatest opera house in the world has always accomplished much with little. The Irving Place theater, which he has directed for ten years, is not a flourishing institution. But its performances have attracted attention quite out of proportion to the importance of a down-town playhouse presenting dramas in a foreign tongue. The high artistic purpose of the manager, his accomplishments with limited facilities, and his struggles to have his theater educational and representative made him the most conspicuous of New York theatrical managers. From that night in 1872 when he spoke the prologue at the opening of the Residenz theater in Vienna and began his theatrical career, he has advanced steadily. He acted successfully in Leipsic and Bremen; he had the management of the Stadt theater in Bremen, where he had his only operatic experience, and in 1877 he came to the United States as stage director of the Germania theater. Since that time he has brought to New York all the most noted German actors. He has obtained consistently artistic results with material means that would have discouraged most experienced and ambitious managers.

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Don't tell all you know to appear wise. You convince who previously had a good opinion of you, that you have st something.

Tight shoes are dangerous to the feet.

A flashy dress will not become a lady.

Nettie. Do not practice deception with your friend,

Do not allow others to talk about your companion,

Be a good listener always, you may learn something.

Do not tell your neighbor that you do not work. It shows that you are a lazy girl.

Speak well of every one you do not know to whom you are talking.

Do not tell stories to your friends o those who have confidence in you.

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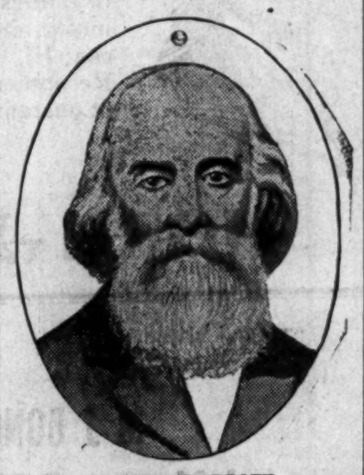
Brooklyn Preacher Explains How Colored Boy Lost Faith in Twenty-Third Psalm.

Dr. Lyman Abbott says that a little colored boy he knows had to learn by heart one Sunday the twenty-third Psalm. He was not long in mastering the lesson, but one verse, "Thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me," he repeated, it was noticed, with an incredulous and scornful smile.

The next day he played truant, and his mother, as her custom was on such occasions, took a stick down from a shelf behind the stove, and



DR. LYMAN ABBOTT.
(Brooklyn Preacher Famed for Learning and Bright Wit.)

whaled him. He yelled, and between his yells kept stuttering:

"I knowed—I knowed—dat verse wa'n't true. I jes' knowed it, I did."

"Lan' sakes, chile! What yo' talkin' about?" said the mother, staying her hand. "What verse wa'n't true, hey?"

"Dat verse I l'arned yestiddy—dat verse erbout 'Thy rod comfort me.' Dere ain't no comfort in de rod. It jes' hurts, an' it don't comfort nohow. I knowed that verse wa'n't true."

Scion of a Noble Family.

Count Pepo Fugger, an officer of the German colonial troops, who recently died in the Kamerun country from a wound inflicted by a poisoned arrow, was a member of one of the most illustrious families in Germany, which played a prominent part in the middle ages. Its founder was a master weaver who settled at Augsburg in 1368 and left behind him a number of sons and grandsons, who made an enormous fortune by commerce and married into the noblest houses of the empire. They lent money to Emperors Maximilian and Charles V. and the latter raised them to the rank of count and gave them princely rights. And no wonder, for one of them threw into the fire a bill which had been given him by Charles, with the remark that his majesty's word was as good as his bond.

The Human Hair Supply.

It is asserted that most of the black hair used in wigs and "switches" comes from the Italian and Spanish convents, and most of the blonde hair from the heads of Swedish, Danish, Russian and German peasant girls.

HELD UP HIS HANDS.

Wild Bill, Famous Western Character, at a Disadvantage.

Usually the Plucky Marshal Had Things His Own Way, But Once Upon a Time He Was Caught at His Own Game.

"Capt. Jack Crawford, the veteran scout and writer, recently penned for a Chicago newspaper some highly laudatory stuff about the famous 'Wild Bill' Hickok, marshal of Abilene, in which the captain portrays 'Wild Bill' as a good deal of a god in a blue flannel shirt and leather chaps," said an elderly Washington civil engineer who did a good deal of work in connection with the building of the Pacific railroads, and especially those that run through Kansas, to a Washington Star correspondent. "Now, 'Wild Bill' was all right—a game and nervy man, as he had to be in his business—but he didn't perch on any little private Olympus of his own, and when it came his turn he was forced to take his medicine like any of the rest of the nervy and game ones of his day. Capt. Crawford doesn't make any mention in his story of a certain occasion upon which 'Wild Bill' was stuck up at the point of a gun just like anybody else of his day and date, but the thing happened, all the same, as I well remember, for I was in Abilene at the time it occurred.

"There was a quiet, civil sort of a chap named Dave Harper running a monte game in Abilene at the time. 'Wild Bill,' like all of the marshals of tough towns in those days, had a way of dipping into the cash drawers of the gamblers when he needed change—it wasn't exactly protection money, for the games would have gone on, marshals or no marshals, but it was just one of the little 'perks' of the marshals of those days to pick out of the dealers' tills the dough that they happened to require. It was called 'tolling out.' When a marshal needed

"STICK 'EM UP, BILL!"

some money he would just drop into a place where one of the games was going and 'toll out' of the drawer the amount that he felt he needed, and it went all right.

"'Wild Bill' was hitting the juniper juice one night while he bucked a faro game across the way from where Dave Harper was running his monte plant, and he therefore got a little reckless with Dave's money drawer. He entered the place the first time while Harper was out for a bite to eat, and reached in and took what he wanted. The lookout of the game didn't say anything.

"It was the custom, and, if it hadn't been, lookouts weren't saying things to 'Wild Bill' in those days. 'Wild Bill' went across the way to the faro bank where he was sloughing off his chips, and dropped the 'toll out' in one deal. Then he returned to Harper's outfit. Dave Harper was seated at the table this time, dealing monte himself. 'Wild Bill' reached down into the drawer, leaning over the table to do it, and picked up a few pieces of the yellow bullion. Dave knew that that was 'Wild Bill's' second swoop on the till that evening, but he didn't say anything. But when, about an hour later, 'Wild Bill,' pretty well used up with the mesquite fluid by this time, sailed in and started to reach for Harper's dust heap for the third time, Dave did what nobody in Abilene or anywhere else had up to that time had the nerve to do to 'Wild Bill.' He snapped up the gun that was hanging from a nail right alongside the money drawer, and he had it on the marshal so suddenly that 'Wild Bill' was for a second paralyzed with astonishment.

"'Stick 'em up, Bill,' quietly ordered Harper.

"'Wild Bill's' hands went up.

"'I ain't no hog, Bill,' said Harper then, 'an' that bein' th' case, I ain't a-goin' t' stand f'r your bein' one. This is th' third time that you've hiked along this way t'night f'r tollin' out. That's crowdin' th' mourners a hull heap, an' it don't go. You kin back out, Bill, keepin' 'em up.'

"And 'Wild Bill,' for the first time in his life, had to back 30 paces out of Dave Harper's monte plant, with his digits pointing to the zenith. The incident hurt 'Wild Bill's' prestige in Abilene a good deal, and he never entirely forgave Harper for the humiliation inflicted upon him that time. Harper left Abilene a very short time after that, which is no doubt the reason why he and 'Wild Bill' didn't figure in the gun play that Abilene awaited from the hour that its night marshal had to call heaven to witness with all ten of his fingers, while his guns hung uselessly in his belt."

HAS AROUSED EMPEROR.

Prof. Delitzsch, Famous Assyriologist, Assails Orthodox Belief in Revealed Religion.

Dr. Friedrich Delitzsch, whose lectures delivered before the German court on the Babylonion origin of much of the religion of the Old Testament have called forth wide criticism, especially on the part of the German emperor himself, is professor of Assyriology at the University of Berlin. Until recently the name Prof. Delitzsch called to mind his father, Dr. Franz Delitszch, who died in 1890, and who was distinctly a conservative in theology. The son, however, by utter-

DR. FRIEDRICH DELITZSCH.
(Berlin Professor Who Does Not Believe in Inspiration.)

ances which in the German churches have been considered extremely radical, has gained a popular fame which the father never had. Dr. Friedrich Delitzsch's eminence as a scholar has been derived from his explorations in the territory which once was occupied by the great Babylonian empire. There he has made notable discoveries, corresponding to those made by Prof. Hilprecht, of the University of Pennsylvania. As the result of his archaeological discoveries concerning the life of these ancient Babylonians, Dr. Delitzsch has formulated, concerning the Babylonian origin of religious conceptions of the Old Testament, conclusions which he regards as subversive of belief in revealed religion as commonly held. These conclusions regarding Biblical criticism are not, however, says the Outlook, those of an expert; and they have been converted by Biblical critics of the radical school. Unlike his theological opinions, his archaeological discoveries have been of great value. By bringing to light records of the common life and of the political institutions of the ancient Babylonians, they have made the life of that ancient people seem very human to us, not to say almost modern. Dr. Delitzsch uses the English language fluently. American students in Germany have found him especially approachable. His interests are broad. He is far from being a recluse; he is rather, as one of his American pupils has said, a citizen of the world.

CHIP OF OLD BLOCK.

J. Pierpont Morgan, Jr., Has Financial Abilities Equal to Those of His Father.

J. Pierpont Morgan, Jr., is better known in England than in this country. He is 34 years of age, born and bred in the atmosphere of finance.

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HON. LEE S. OVERMAN.

New Senator from North Carolina Is Not a Novice in the Game of Politics.

Senator Lee Slater Overman, democrat, of North Carolina, has taken an active interest in public matters in his state and from the time he left Trinity college, North Carolina, he has been associated with the leading politicians of his state. Mr. Overman was born in 1854 in Salisbury, N. C., and was graduated from Trinity college with the degree of A. B., the degree of M. A. being conferred upon him two years later. He taught school for a couple of years after graduation and then became private secretary to Gov.

HON. LEE S. OVERMAN.
(New Democratic Senator from the State of North Carolina.)

Vance, and later occupied the same position with Gov. Jarvis. He began the practice of law in 1880. Five times he was elected a member of the legislature, and in 1887 he was the unanimous choice of the democrats for the speakership, but was defeated by a combination between the republicans and the independents. He was elected speaker of the house in 1893. In 1894 he was president of the North Carolina Railroad company. In 1895 he was the choice of the democratic caucus for the United States senatorship, but was defeated by Senator Pritchard through a combination of republicans and populists. In 1900 Mr. Overman was president of the democratic state convention. He is now president of the Salisbury Savings bank and for ten years has been a member of the board of trustees of the state university. Mr. Overman's wife is the daughter of United States Senator Merriman. He succeeds Senator Pritchard.

A Good Thing for Heaven.

The late Dr. Parker, of London, was arguing with a man on the problem of continued existence, and as Mr. Parker was at the door the friend finally declared: "The fact is, I am an annihilationist. I believe that when I die that will be the end of me." Thank God for that!" declared the doctor, and banged the door.

Carelessness.

Wiggle—He has one foot in the grave already.

Woggle—Why, he looks young enough. Explain yourself.

"He left it in the Philippines."—Harvard Lampoon.

Behind the Scenes.

First Chorus Girl—I did a good thing to-day.

Second Chorus Girl—What's his name?—Baltimore World.

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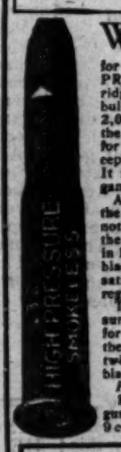

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The Hotel Clyde will serve a special dinner tomorrow afternoon. The Clyde is one of the best known Hotels in the city.

The Atheletic Association of Howard University, gave its closing dance for the season at Odd Fellows Hall, Wednesday evenieg the 13th inst.

The speech of Hon. Charles W. Fairbanks of Indiana, has been published and The Bee will publish excerpts of it next week.

Hon. Richard P. Hollowell has published a pamphlet to his paper on "Negro Suffrage Justified." The Bee begining next week will begin to publish it and it is hoped that its readers will look out for it. It is a great defense of the negro.

At a special session of the general term on Monday May, 11 Hon. John P. Green of Ohio was admitted to practice in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia.

The Sons of Ham Company left the city Friday for Reading, Pa., Pottsville, Allentown and Atlantic City N.J. The company is now owned by Messrs Hart and Avery.

At 4:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon Mr. W. C Martin of the District bar, will discuss "The Power for Good of Fraternal and Beneficial Societies and other associations when Properly Organized and Intelligentiy and Honestly Managed." before the Lyceum at Shiloh Baptist Church, corner 17th and L streets northwest. Mr. Martin consented to present a paper on this very imoprtant subject, at the request of Mr. Edgar L. Kenny, the president of the Lyceum who felt that an intelligent discussion of it just now would prove of much interest to the progressive members of many of the better known fraternities in the District.

For the past 20 days there has been a handicap billiard tournament in progress at the popular Metropole Club. There were 20 entries, compris ng some of the best billiardists in the city and without a single exception all of the games were close and consequently exciting. The prize was a handsome billiard cue beautifully carved and inlaid with pearl and was won by Mr. Robert T. Douglass after a hard-fight but bloodless battle. A representative of The Bee who was present was surprised at the interest manifested in the beautiful game and wished he was the adept that some of the participants have proven to be. Another tournament will begin in the near future and the readers of The Bee will be informed as to the progress and outcome.

President Mitchell South.

President S. P. Mitchell of the Civil Liberty Party is in Pettersburg, Va. He spoke to about five thousand people this week and said a great amount of other things that the Civil Liberty Convention that is to meet in Cincinnati September 10th will be one of the largest that has ever been held in the United States.

JUDGE PRITCHARD.

He is Being Commended for Fairness Liberal in the Admission of Evidence.

Thus far Judge J. C. Pritchard of North Carolina is being commended by the bar for the fairness that he is displaying in the disposition of prisoners brought before him. He has'nt got that false dignity to the extent that a spectator can't laugh when a ridiculous thing occurs in court. Thus far he seems to be winning the respect and confidence of the bar. One thing The Bee will say, he is acting Judge and those who practice before him, the prosecuting attorney not accepted, know it.

A New Combination,

Mr. Henry Winfred of New York City and a member of the Golden Gate Quartette was in the city this week. He is one of New York's popular singers. It is understood that Mr. Louis Love of the Sons of Ham Company will be with the Golden Gate Quartette Company next season. Mr. Love made many friends while in this city and when he returns to the city the citizens will give him a royal reception.

Fence Made of Elk Horns.

A fence nearly 200 feet long at Livingstone, Mont., is made entirely of horns of the elk—more properly called wapiti. These animals, like the others of the deer family, shed their horns once a year and grow new ones. The old horns are found in large numbers in the forests, and are used for various commercial purposes.

Signor Pino's Hydroscope.

By means of an ingenious instrument, the hydroscope, the human eyesight can penetrate the ocean depths and clearly distinguish objects over a mile below the surface. The inventor is Signor Pino, an Italian, a schoolmate of Marconi.

Queen's Two Hundred Rings.

Queen Christina of Spain has no fewer than 200 rings of a royal kind. She makes a point of wearing them all in turn, changing the rings on her fingers every time she changes her dress, which she does four or five times a day.

Victim of His Wealth.

Wealth proved the ruin of a young man in Lorraine. A relative left him 100,000 francs. Fearing that he would lose the money, he always carried it with him. In a few weeks he became insane, made a fire of the notes and then blew out his brains.

Italians a Healthy Race.

It has been remarked that most Italians of the poorer class are noted for their general good health. This is, to some extent, attributed to the fact that the working people of Italy eat less meat than those of any other European nation.

DISTINGUISHED MEXICAN.

Signor Jose Yves Limantour Who Is at Present Visiting American Money Centers.

Jose Yves Limantour, who is now in the United States in connection, it is said, with monetary matters, is the financial minister of the Mexican republic and a leading candidate for the presidency in succession to President Diaz. Signor Limantour is a native of Mexico City, and is 49 years old. He is not only a distinguished financial authority, but is likewise a scholar and lawyer of note and has been a most capable educator. Since 1881 he has been quite prominent in Mexican politics and has traveled widely, both in Europe and in the United States.

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Baltimore, Md.—Seventy-Ninth Annual Session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., September 21-26. Tickets on sale September 19th, 20th and 21st, good returning until September 28th, inclusive.

Boston, Mass.—National Educational Association, July 6-10. Tickets on sale July 3rd to 6th, good returning until July 12th, inclusive.

Denver, Colo.—Christian Endeavor Society, July 9-13. Dates of sale announced later.

Detroit, Mich.—Epworth League, International Convention, July 16-19. Tickets on sale July 14th and 15th, good returning until July 20th inclusive.

Los Angeles, Cal.—General Assembly Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. May 21-June 2. Tickets on sale May 2nd and 11th to 17th, good returning until July 15th, inclusive.

St. Louis, Mo.—Dedication Ceremonies, Louisiana Purchase Exposition, April 30-May 2. Tickets on sale April 26th to 29th. good returning until May 4th, inclusive.

San Francisco, Cal.—National Association Master Plumbers of U. S. A. May 19-22. Tickets on sale May 2nd and 11th to 17th, good returning until July 15th, inclusive.

San Francisco. Cal.—Grand Army of the Republic, August 17-22. Tickets on sale August 4th to 13th, good returning until October 15th.

Saratoga, N. Y.—Imperial Council, Ancient Arabic Order Mystic Shrine, July 7-10. Tickets on sale July 6th and 7th, good returning until July 20th inclusive

LEGAL NOTICE.

W. C. Martin, Attorney.

Supreme Court of the District of Columbia.

Holding a Probate Court.

No. 11,364, Administration.

HOLDING A POBATE COURT.

This is to give notice:

That the subscriber, of the District of Columbia has obtained from the Probate Court of the District of Columbia, letters testamentary on the estate of Lewis York late of the District of Columbia, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, legally authenticated to the subscriber, on or before the 18th day of April., A. D. 1904, otherwise they may by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate. Given under my hand this 18th day of April 1903. Thomas Linney 407 Franklin St. N W.

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